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77 King St. East
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Jan. 20, 1915.

President Falconer,
University of Toronto,
Toronto.

Dear Mr. President:-

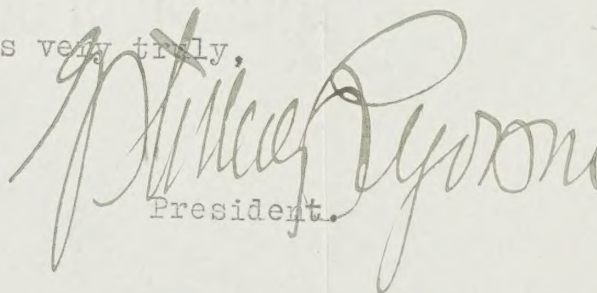
We are anxious to find somebody who will play the organ on the occasion of the Annual General Meeting on Friday next, the 22nd instant, beginning at 4 p. m.

His Royal Highness, as you are aware, is going to attend the meeting, and we want the National Anthem played at the beginning and the end of the proceedings.

Mr. Moure was engaged, but cannot attend.

Kindly telephone my house, North 24, so that we will be sure arrangements are made.

Yours very truly,


President.

January 21st, 1915

Dr. G. Sterling Ryerson,
College Street,
Toronto.

Dear Dr. Ryerson:

In answer to your letter of this morning I may say that I have arranged with Mr. G. B. Frost, who is the organist at our Sunday Services in Convocation Hall, to play for you at the meeting of the Red Cross Society in Convocation Hall Friday afternoon. I have told Mr. Frost that you would like him to play while the people are gathering, and that the National Anthem is to be played when His Royal Highness arrives and at the close of the proceedings. I hope that this will be satisfactory .

Yours sincerely,

President.

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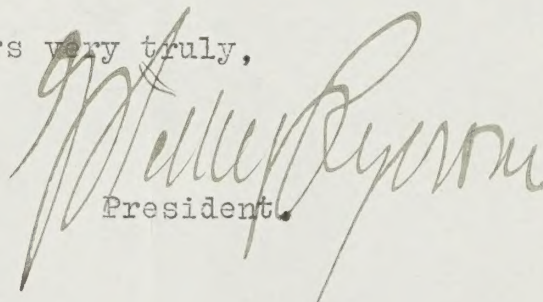
Dear Mr. President:-

I enclose a copy of a letter which I sent
to Sir Robert L. Borden regarding the manufacture of tetanus-
antitoxin.

He replies that the matter is being con-
sidered.

Encl.

Yours very truly,


President.

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C O P Y.

Feb. 3, 1915.

Re Anti-tetanus Serum.

Dear Sir Robert Borden:-

I understand that a letter has been sent to you regarding aid to the Serum Laboratory of the University of Toronto. I have been asked to write you a line on the importance of encouraging this work. It is common knowledge that tetanus has been all too prevalent at the seat of war and that it is due to a micro-organism found in the old cultivated soil of the region.

So common is the disease that it has been found necessary to give preventive doses in almost all cases of wounds no matter how slight. I have read in the British Medical Journal that 10,000 preventive doses were given during a single week during the fighting in October. It would appear to be less frequent just now because the cold seems to have a discouraging effect on this microbe, but with the opening of the Spring campaign it will probably regain its virulence.

The Laboritories on this side of the Atlantic are doing their utmost to produce sufficient to meet the demands, but are still short. I made enquiries at New York and found I could obtain a small quantity almost as a favour. As our men will shortly be exposed to the malign influence of this germ it is highly desirable that a sufficient supply should be placed at the disposal of our Medical Officers. It would seem to me that in assisting the University in this matter your Government would be forwarding the principle of "Made in Canada" and would render us independent of foreign supply which might possibly at some time be cut off.

Re Consulting Physicians and Surgeons.

In November last I had the honour of addressing a communication from Washington regarding the advisability of appointing some of our best physicians and surgeons as consultants to our hospitals now at the front. So far as I know, no action has been taken in this important matter, and now that our troops are approaching the time when they will have need of the best medical aid which can be obtained I would suggest that this matter be taken into serious consideration, and that action be taken to obtain the services of some of our leading men. I have reason to know that several of them will serve as a matter of patriotic duty for the ordinary pay of the rank of Colonel.

February 10th, 1915

Lt.-Col. Ryerson,

77 King Street East,

Toronto.

Dear Colonel Ryerson:

Many thanks for your letter. I am very glad that you wrote to Sir Robert Borden about the anti-tetanus serum laboratory. I have written myself and also got Sir Edmund Osler to use his influence so that I hope the combined result will issue in our favour.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.



HÔTEL MEURICE
Rue de Rivoli
PARIS
ADRESSE TELEGRAPHIQUE
MEURISOTEL PARIS

June 8. 1915

Dear Mr. Talbot,

Your kind letter about
and I thank you & wish
Talbot for your expression
of sympathy - the shock
of my wounded knee
was very great but by
keeping calm & with steady
mind I have been able to

live it. My own attitude is
very calm & is very brave
as well as is a few
days. It has a very
pleasant because you state
and I am proud to say
believed with the greatest
sincerity. I am happy
that the official report of
this case will bring
some recognition. I am

is turning up well - the
also showed the greatest
courage and presence
mind in his disaster.

I am leaving for London
at the end of this month
& hopes to get them off.

It is strange the British
Government does not pay
more attention to the
trade routes.

This war is terrible - I
have covered the whole
of the British area &
Belgium, and have seen
much of it. We will win
in the end - but the end
is not yet.

Yours sincerely
Henry Channon